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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

Pertaining to the Oriental Fruit Fly Eradication Area

Notice was properly mailed and published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on September 15, 2006, that the Department of Food and Agriculture proposes to in Division 4, Chapter 3, Subchapter 5, amend Article 2, Sections 3591.2(a) of the regulations in Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to Oriental Fruit Fly Eradication Area.

A public hearing concerning the proposed action will be held on Tuesday, October 31, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., at the Planning Commission Hearing Room, First Floor, County Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California.

A representative of the Department of Food and Agriculture will preside the hearing. Any interested person, or his or her duly authorized representative, may appear and be heard. Persons who speak are requested to register prior to the hearing. The prehearing registration will be conducted at the location of the hearing from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Those registered persons will be heard in the order of their registration. Any other person who wishes to speak at the hearing will be afforded such opportunity after the registered persons have been heard. The hearing will continue until there are no persons present to address the Department or until 4:30 p.m.

The Department is specifically requesting that in consideration of others, all persons attending the hearing refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes, or other scented personal care products.

If the number of preregistered persons and other participants in attendance at the hearing warrants it, the presiding officer may limit the time for each presentation in order to allow everyone wishing to speak the opportunity to be heard.

Any person, or his or her duly authorized representative, who does not wish to speak at the hearing may present written statements to the presiding officer at the hearing, or may submit written statements on or before October 30, 2006 to the agency officer named below. Following the public hearing and the written comment period, the Department of Food and Agriculture, at its own motion, or at the instance of any interested person, may amend the proposal substantially as set forth without further notice.

Written comments not presented at the hearing must be received by October 30, 2006 and must be addressed to Stephen S. Brown, Department of Food and Agriculture, Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services, 1220 N Street, Room A-316, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 654-1017, FAX (916) 654-1018, and e-mail: sbrown@cdfa.ca.gov.